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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Ronald W. MINK et al.

Application No.: 09/973,956

Filed: October 11, 2001

For: DEVICE FOR COLLECTION AND
ASSAY OF ORAL FLUIDS

Group Art Unit: 1723

Examiner: D. SORKIN

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.48

It is requested that the inventorship of the above identified application be corrected to add:

Robert C. BOHANNON
401 Silver Creek Trail
Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a), applicants are submitting a newly executed Declaration and a LETTER from Mr. Robert C. Bohannon stating that the error in his omission as an inventor of the subject matter of at least one claim of the instant application occurred without deceptive intent on his part. Further attached is a CONSENT OF THE ASSIGNEE, OraSure Technologies, Inc., to the addition of Mr. Robert C. Bohannon as a co-inventor of the above identified application.

Enclosed is the \$130.00 processing fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i).

Respectfully submitted,

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